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Serial No.:	09/600,094	Group Art Unit:	1743
Filed:	AUGUST 22, 2000	Docket No.:	12335.1USWO
Title:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING BLOOD OXYGEN TRANSPORT		

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Dear Sir:

Petitioners, Henry Buchwald, residing at 6808 Margarets Lane, Edina, Minnesota 55439; Hector J. Menchaca, residing at 13834 Essex Trail, Apple Valley, Minnesota 55124; Van N. Michalek, residing at 2839 Aglen Avenue North, Roseville, Minnesota 55113; Thomas J. O'Dea, residing at 925 Arbogast Street, Shoreview, Minnesota 55120; and Thomas D. Rohde, residing at 702 Third Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414 represent that they are the owner of the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/600,094, filed on August 22, 2000 and entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING BLOOD OXYGEN TRANSPORT.

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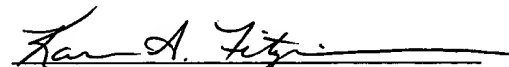
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